## LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIVISION DRINKING WATER PROGRAM

TO: AGUA DULCE WINERY 10124 SIERRA HIGHWAY AGUA DULCE, CA 91390-4622

RE: AGUA DULCE WINERY 9640 SIERRA HIGHWAY AGUA DULCE, CA 91390

SYSTEM NO. 1909646 – NOTICE OF VIOLATION (NOV)
No. 04\_49\_18N\_065\_1909646\_02
TOTAL COLIFORM MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL (MCL)
DATED: August 1, 2018

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the AGUA DULCE WINERY (System) is in violation of the total coliform MCL. The System collects one routine bacteriological sample per month; however, if samples are found to be positive for total coliform or E. Coli., a minimum of four repeat samples shall be collected for each positive routine sample and the System is required collect at least five routine water samples from the distribution system the month following its return to compliance.

## **Total Coliform MCL**

According to Section 64426.1(b)(2) of the Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR), a public water system is in violation of the total coliform MCL when a public water system which collects fewer than 40 samples per month has more than one sample collected during any month is total coliform positive.

Section 64424 of Title 22, CCR requires a water system to collect a repeat sample set within 24 hours of being notified by the laboratory of the positive result of a routine bacteriological sample. All the repeat samples must be collected within the same 24-hour time period. When collecting the repeat sample set, the water system must collect at least one repeat sample from the sampling tap where the original total coliform-positive sample was taken. Other repeat samples must be collected within five service connections upstream or downstream of the original site. At least one sample must be from upstream and one from downstream unless there is no upstream and/or downstream service connection.

On June 13, 2018, the System collected one routine sample from the Sink. The sample collected was total coliform positive and E. Coli negative. Four repeat samples were collected on June 15, 2018. The samples from the Sink, Kitchen Sink, and Tank were total coliform and E. Coli negative. The sample collected from the SW H/B was total coliform positive and E. Coli negative. The System returned to compliance on June 20, 2018 when all four repeat samples collected were total coliform and E. Coli negative.

## AGUA DULCE WINERY (1909646) Notice of Violation No. 04\_49\_18N\_065\_1909646\_02

The System is hereby directed to:

- 1. Notify all persons within the area served by the System of the violation of Section 64426.1(b)(2) no later than August 8, 2018. Under the Public Notification Rule, this violation is categorized as a Tier 2 violation. Section 64463.4(b) of Title 22, CCR requires that the notification be conducted as soon as possible within 30 days after the water system learns of a violation. The System shall deliver the notice to water users within the required time period by mail or direct delivery. In addition, the System shall use one or more of the following methods to reach persons not likely to be reached by a mailing or direct delivery (renters, university students, nursing home patients, prison inmates, etc.): 1) publication in a local newspaper, 2) posting in conspicuous public places served by the District's water system, or on the Internet; or 3) delivery to community organizations. A template for conducting this notification is provided as Attachment 1.
- 2. The Certification of Tier Public Notice form must be completed and returned to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Environmental Health, Drinking Water Program at <a href="mailto:swsadmin@ph.lacounty.gov">swsadmin@ph.lacounty.gov</a> no later than August 11, 2018. The Certification is provided as Attachment 2.
- 3. As a reminder, the Federal Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR) became effective on April 1, 2016. Under the RTCR, Level 1 assessment is triggered when a public water system collecting fewer than 40 samples per month has two or more total coliform positives in one month. The Level 1 assessment form example is provided as Attachment 3. Please submit a completed Level 1 Assessment to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Environmental Health, Drinking Water Program at swsadmin@ph.lacounty.gov no later than September 1, 2018.
- 4. Enclosed, as **Attachment 4**, in an invoice of \$299.00 for the enforcement activities associated with this violation. The invoice shall be paid by **September 1, 2018**.

The System is reminded that failure to comply by the deadlines specified above may result in citations and civil penalties.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Beverly Tway of the Drinking Water Program at (626) 430-5420.

Sincerely,

Lusi Mkhitaryan, REHS, MPH
Chief Environmental Health Specialist

8/1/18
Date

Department of Public Health/Environmental Health Division